

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27228 / H0381

Consistent with the Red Tape Reduction Act, this bill seeks to eliminate obsolete and unnecessary restrictions. Specifically, this bill adds one item to the Property Tax Administration statute that allows the Tax Commission to delete an entire rule from the administrative code. The statute, 63-701 of the Idaho Code currently contains all the requirements to claim property tax relief except proving the claimant is a lawful resident. Adding the resident requirement to the statute makes the rule unnecessary. Also, a small but important change is made in 63-701(g)(5). The word "or" is changed to "and" to clear up confusion about when medical costs are deductible.

This bill also repeals the Idaho Estate and Transfer Tax Reform Act of 1988. The Idaho estate and transfer tax was tied to a federal estate tax that was repealed by the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001. The repeal of the federal law imposed a 4-year phase out which ended on December 31, 2004. Repealing the statute does not prevent a taxpayer from filing a return if the decedent died prior to January 1, 2005.

## FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to this bill. There is no change in the requirements or the function of the Property Tax Administration program. Additionally, it simply removes an obsolete statute that is not being used.

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